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MUNICIPAL ORDINANCES, RULES, AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO PUBLIC HEALTH.

ALEXANDRIA, VA.

Health Officer, Deputy Health Officer, and Board of Health—Duties of. (Ordinance adopted July 23, 1912.)

SECTION 1. There shall be in September, 1912, and every two years thereafter, elected by the city council, a health officer, whose term of office shall begin the first day of the following October and who shall be a practicing physician. He shall inspect the city twice a month from April to September, and once a month for the balance of the year, visiting all localities suspected of being unhealthy or exposed to disease. He shall suggest to the board of health such measures as he shall think fit to preserve the health of the city and especially to prevent the introduction and spread of infectious and contagious diseases, and to prevent or regulate the pursuit of callings prejudicial to the public health or comfort. He shall also consider and report upon all such matters as may be referred to him by the board of health, and make monthly reports to the said board of health of his proceedings. He shall receive for his services as such health officer the sum of \$600 per annum, payable in monthly installments on warrants drawn by the auditor, which shall be in lieu of all fees, including fees as registrar of vital statistics.

SEC. 2. The health officer, immediately after his election, or in the interim between the passage of this ordinance and his election, shall appoint a deputy to be known as deputy health officer, who is hereby vested with police authority in the performance of his duties. The duties of the deputy health officer shall be to inspect dairies, live stock, milk, slaughterhouses, meat, fish, fowls, and such other articles of food as the board of health may direct. He is hereby authorized to apply the tuberculin test to live stock in accordance with State and Federal regulations, and shall receive a fee from owners of said stock of not over 50 cents per head, the collection of said fee being permissible in connection with his salary, hereinafter provided, this, however, being applicable only to cases where tests are made to determine the quality of the milk or condition of herd upon owner's application on form prescribed and provided by the board of health. The board of health is hereby authorized to accept the certificate of any properly licensed veterinarian as to the condition of dairies, herd, and cattle when approved by the health officer.

SEC. 3. The deputy health officer shall be a qualified veterinarian, and the health officer shall ascertain to his positive knowledge that the applicant for office of deputy is qualified to perform the duties herein prescribed and submit the name of the appointee to the city council, which shall, as soon as consistent, confirm or nonconfirm the appointment.

SEC. 4. The deputy health officer, in addition to his other duties, shall attend horses of the fire department and all other horses the property of the city, and perform all veterinarian duties in connection therewith and shall receive for his services the sum of \$400 per year, payable in monthly installments on warrant drawn by the auditor, which shall be in lieu of all fees excepting those hereinbefore described.

SEC. 5. The deputy health officer shall report his findings and recommendations to the health officer, who shall be governed accordingly.

SEC. 6. The board of health is hereby empowered to designate an acting deputy health officer when circumstances may warrant, said designation to be effective for a reasonable time or within the judgment of the city council.

SEC. 7. The health officer is hereby vested with police authority in the performance of his duties. He shall require deleterious matter, wherever found, to be removed by the occupant of the premises or by the owner if the premises are unoccupied, and con-

veyed beyond the limits of the city. He may require yards and premises and the street gutters in front of any premises, when he thinks it important to the health of the neighborhood, to be cleaned and limed by the occupant or owner of such premises. Any person failing, after one day's notice, to obey the orders of the health officer, given pursuant to the provisions of this section, shall be fined not less than \$1 nor more than \$20, unless it appears that such person was unable to comply with the orders of the health officer, and each day's violation shall be deemed a separate offense.

SEC. 8. Whenever in the opinion of the board of health it shall be necessary for the public health, to clean, ditch, or lime any particular locality, public alley, or street areas, or to ditch, clean, or lime any common drain across private lots or in alleys, the use of and right of way over which is for the benefit of the real estate abutting thereon, or to remove or abate any nuisance the owner or causer of which can not be apprehended, said board of health may, through the health officer, instruct the city engineer to have the same done.

The city engineer shall report the cost of such work by pay roll on voucher to the auditor as work done by order of the board of health on streets, private lots, or alleys, or nuisances, as the case may be, and the auditor is hereby authorized to issue warrants for payment of same from such appropriations as may be made under section 2, of Chapter XIX of the Code of 1874, as hereinafter amended and reenacted.

SEC. 9. There shall be elected at the same time and in the same manner as the health officer, a physician to the poor, at the salary of \$300 per annum, payable in monthly installments, upon warrants drawn by the auditor, who shall attend the indigent sick of the city and sick of the almshouse, and who shall perform all the duties of the present physicians to the poor.

SEC. 10. It shall be the duty of the members of the police force to take note of and report any and all infractions of the health laws and, where called upon by the health officer, the deputy health officer, or the board of health, to assist in enforcing the same.

BELLEVUE, OHIO.

Garbage—Care and Disposal of. (Regulation Board of Health Adopted March 21, 1912.)

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of every resident householder, tenant, hotel keeper, boarding-house keeper, retail dealer, and all parties or persons occupying dwellings within the city of Bellevue, Ohio, to provide or cause to be provided, and at all times to keep or cause to be kept or provided, portable vessels or tanks for holding garbage and offal; said vessels or tanks to be perfectly water-tight, and so kept with handles on the outside and provided with a tightly fitting cover, which cover shall not be removed except when absolutely necessary. Said vessels or tanks shall be kept or placed in the rear of the house or in basement areas or passageways most accessible to be collected, and never upon the street, alley, sidewalk, or other public place, and shall be of a capacity of not more than 2 bushels. All such vessels or tanks shall be promptly delivered to the collector when called for, and shall be returned by him to said place or places without unnecessary delay; and no person except for such purpose authorized shall in any manner interfere with said vessels or tanks or the contents thereof.

SEC. 2. The words garbage and offal as used in this ordinance shall be held to include every refuse accumulation of animal, fruit or vegetable matter, or otherwise that attends the preparation, use, cooking, dealing in, or storage of meats and fowls, fruits, or vegetables; and it shall be unlawful for any person to place in said vessels or tanks any ashes, refuse, water, waste, or other material whatsoever.